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SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER THORN'S WASHINGTON VISIT

1. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND DCM, PRIME MINISTER THORN, HIS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT PAUL HELMINGER AND MFA SECRETARY GENERAL PIERRE WURTH HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR PLEASURE WITH THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THORN'S WASHINGTON VISIT. THE PRIME MINISTER SAID HE WAS PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR PRESIDENT FORD'S CORDIAL RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND FOR THE FRANK, FRIENDLY SPIRIT OF THEIR DISCUSSIONS. HE SAID HE ALSO FOUND THE LUNCH WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER EXTREMELY INTERESTING AND USEFUL AND THAT HE NOW HAS A MUCH DEEPER APPRECIATION OF U.S. POLICY ON A WIDE VARIETY OF ISSUES. HE SAID HE FELT THE VISIT WILL STRENGTHEN NOT ONLY U.S.-LUXEMBOURG TIES BUT U.S. RELATIONS WITH THE

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COMMUNITY AS WELL. THORN SAID HE HOPES THAT PRESIDENT

FORD WILL FIND AN OCCASION TO VISIT LUXEMBOURG SOMETIME
DURING LUXEMBOURG'S PRESIDENCY OF THE EC.

2. HELMINGER AND WURTH WERE EQUALLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT
THE VISIT AND SAID THEIR LUNCHEON MEETING WITH ASSISTANT
SECRETARY HARTMAN, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY VINE AND
OTHERS WAS PARTICULARLY HELPFUL. WURTH ADDED THAT HE NOW
HAS A VERY CLEAR IDEA OF HOW WE WOULD LIKE TO CONDUCT
U.S.-EC POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS DURING LUXEMBOURG'S EC
PRESIDENCY. HE PROMISED TO SPARE NO EFFORT TO MAKE THE
CONSULTATIONS FRUITFUL AND SAID HE HOPED THE U.S. SIDE
WILL BE FORTHCOMING AS WELL SO THAT AN EVEN MORE MEANINGFUL
DIALOGUE CAN BE DEVELOPED DURING LUXEMBOURG'S PRESIDENCY.

3. THORN PLANS TO RETURN TO NEW YORK ON DECEMBER 3.
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